

Listing of the Claims

1. (currently amended) A trolling motor assembly that provides illumination for the interior of a trolling boat, said trolling motor assembly comprising:

a motor control compartment comprising a top and a bottom, said top further comprising a front portion adjacent to said interior of said boat, and a back portion disposed away from said boat;

a motor/propeller assembly; including a shaft; and

a light assembly attached to said motor control compartment, said light assembly being situated so as to provide lighting to the illumination for said interior of the said boat.

2. (currently amended) The trolling motor assembly of claim 1 wherein said ~~motor control compartment further comprises a motor control compartment casing and said~~ light assembly is mounted upon said front portion of said top of said motor control compartment ~~easing~~.

3. (currently amended) The trolling motor assembly of claim 1 wherein said ~~motor control compartment further comprises a motor control compartment casing wherein~~ a portion of said front portion of said top of said motor control compartment ~~easing~~ is substantially translucent, and said light assembly is contained within said motor control compartment; ~~easing, so as to allow the passage of light through~~

wherein said substantially translucent portion of said front portion of said top of said motor control compartment ~~easing~~ allows the passage of light from said light assembly to said interior of said boat.

4. (original) The trolling motor assembly of claim 1 wherein said light assembly is powered by a dedicated DC power device.

5. (currently amended) The trolling motor assembly of claim 1 wherein said light assembly is powered by the same device as ~~the trolling~~ a main drive motor of said boat.

6. (currently amended) A trolling boat having a main motor and a trolling motor assembly that provides illumination for the interior of a trolling boat, said trolling motor assembly ~~further~~ comprising:

a motor control compartment comprising a top and a bottom, said top further comprising a front portion adjacent to said interior of said boat and a back portion disposed away from said boat;

a motor/propeller assembly; including a shaft; and

a light assembly attached to said motor control compartment, said light assembly being situated so as to provide lighting to the illumination for said interior of the said boat.

7. (currently amended) The trolling boat of claim 6 wherein said ~~motor control compartment further comprises a motor control compartment casing, and said~~ light assembly is mounted upon said front portion of said top of said motor control compartment ~~easing~~.

8. (currently amended) The trolling boat of claim 6 wherein ~~said motor control compartment further comprises a motor control compartment casing wherein a~~ portion of said front portion of said top of said motor control compartment ~~easing~~ is substantially translucent, and said light assembly is contained within said motor control compartment; ~~easing, so as to allow the passage of light through~~

wherein said substantially translucent portion of said front portion of said top of said motor control compartment ~~easing~~ allows the passage of light from said light assembly to said interior of said boat.

9. (original) The trolling boat of claim 6 wherein said light assembly is powered by a dedicated DC power device.

10. (currently amended) The trolling boat of claim 6 wherein said light assembly is powered by the same device as ~~the trolling~~ a main drive motor of said boat.